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Safety Facts & Tips



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	Infant Toys Infant toys, such as rattles, squeeze toys, and teething rings, should be large enough so that they cannot enter and become lodged in an infant's throat.		Have a SAFE Holiday Season 2006!	1 World AIDS Prevention Day 	2 Keep matches and lighters out of children's reach. Teach them they are for adult use only.	3 Teach family members how to operate the fire extinguisher in your home.
4 Keep a multi-purpose fire extinguisher in the kitchen & near your furnace. Have a family fire emergency plan.	5 Keep hot foods and liquids away from the edges of counters and tables.	6 Choose a sturdy tree stand designed not to tip over. Only buy artificial trees if they are labeled fire-retardant.	7 When lights are placed on a live tree, be sure your tree is fresh and watered daily.	8 Place the tree at least three feet away from any heat source.	9 Keep toys designed for older children out of the hands of little ones. Follow age recommendations on toy labels.	10 Human Rights Day 
11 Be sure to have at least two smoke detectors. One by your bedrooms and one at the opposite end of your home. Position them on the ceiling at least four inches from any wall.	12 Never secure outdoor lighting with staples or nails, or place lights on sharp hooks or nails.	13 Never use seasonal lighting outside your home unless it is specifically labeled for "outdoor use".	14 Cook on back burners whenever possible and turn all handles toward the back of the stove.	15 Hanukkah (Begins at Sunset) 	16 Hanukkah Check candles on Menorah often to make sure they haven't burned too low.	17 Hanukkah Keep supplemental heating units away from flammable items and places they could be easily knocked over.
18 Hanukkah Unplug all holiday lighting and extinguish all candles when leaving the room or going to bed.	19 Hanukkah Keep candles away from decorations and other combustible materials. Don't place candles in windows where blinds and curtains can close over them.	20 Hanukkah Never use extension cords on a permanent basis and avoid running them under rugs.	21 Hanukkah Store flammable liquids like gasoline, kerosene, paint thinner, etc., in approved containers outside of your home.	22 Hanukkah School Winter Break Don't plug multiple items into the same electrical outlet or circuit. If you detect smoke, unplug immediately.	23 Hanukkah Keep baking soda near your stove to extinguish grease fires & never leave a hot stove unattended!	24 Never hold a child while cooking or carrying hot items. 
25 Christmas School Winter Break 	26 Kwanzaa School Winter Break 	27 Kwanzaa School Winter Break Keep candles up high and out of the reach of children. Never leave a young child unattended in a room with a lighted candle.	28 Kwanzaa School Winter Break Safely dispose of the tree when it begins dropping needles. Dried out trees are highly flammable.	29 Kwanzaa School Winter Break Take down the lights when the holiday is over. They are not intended for permanent installation.	30 Kwanzaa School Winter Break Parents should never give young children toys with cords, strings, or straps that fit around the neck.	31 Kwanzaa School Winter Break 